GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2974
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EMIGRATION FACILITIES AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether small town international airports do not have proper emigration facilities to handle such international operations;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, airport-wise;

(c) the details of plan drawn up to equip these airports suitably so as to handle the regular international flights efficiently; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to provide proper emigration facilities at such international airports?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a)to(d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2974 FOR 20.03.2007.

Emigration and Immigration functions at international airports other than Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata and Amritsar are performed by the State Governments/UT Administrations on an agency basis on behalf of the Central Government.Inadequate emigration and immigration facilities at the small town international airports have come to the attention of the Government and several steps have been initiated to improve these facilities, which inter alia, include

i) Upgradation of computer systems,

ii) Installation of Immigration Control system (ICS) software,

iii) Installation of Passport Reading Machines (PRMs),

iv) Installation of Questionable Document Examiner (QDX) machines and

v) Periodical training of immigration personnel by Bureau of Immigration(BoI).